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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** March 4, 2008  
**TO:** Sanctuary Advisory Council Representatives  
**FROM:** Mike Murray, Advisory Council Coordinator *Mike Murray*  
**RE:** Next SAC Meeting: Friday, March 14, 2008

The Sanctuary Advisory Council will meet in Santa Barbara on **Friday, March 14th, 2008** from **9:00 am to 4:00 pm**. The meeting location is the Robert J. Lagomarsino Visitor Center Auditorium at the Channel Islands National Park Headquarters (1901 Spinnaker Drive, Ventura Harbor, CA). Please join us! Enclosed you will find a draft meeting agenda, driving directions, and materials relevant to the meeting.

This SAC meeting features important and interesting presentations, discussions and action items, including:

- Progress report from the Council's Subcommittee on **Large Cetaceans and Shipping**;
- Summary report on the recent **Special Symposium on Channel Islands Marine Protected Areas**;
- Informational presentation on the **Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) southern California process**;
- Presentation and comment opportunity on the **proposed black abalone Endangered Species Act listing**;
- Proposal from the Council's Greening Subcommittee on the NMSP's **Blue Seas/Green Communities initiative**;
- Informational presentations on **ocean acidification** from Dr. Victoria Fabry (California State University San Marcos) and Dr. Gretchen Hoffman (University of California Santa Barbara); and
- Finalization of the Council's **2008 annual work plan**.

In preparation for the meeting, please review the enclosed materials and bring this packet with you to the meeting. Additional reference materials will be made available on the Advisory Council's meeting announcements web page (<http://www.channelislands.noaa.gov/sac/announcement.html>), or can be accessed directly as follows:

- Marine Life Protection Act Initiative: <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/>
- Channel Islands MPA Special Symposium, 12 one-pager presentation handouts: [http://www.dfg.ca.gov/marine/channel\\_islands/specialsession.asp#handouts](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/marine/channel_islands/specialsession.asp#handouts)
- Black abalone listing proposed rule: <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/pdfs/fr/fr73-1986.pdf>

A group lunch option will be provided, featuring pizza and salad for eight dollars per person.

If you have not already done so, **please let us know if you will be attending this meeting** by contacting Dani Lipski at [danielle.lipski@noaa.gov](mailto:danielle.lipski@noaa.gov). If you have questions or comments concerning the draft agenda or any of the enclosed materials, please feel free to contact me at [michael.murray@noaa.gov](mailto:michael.murray@noaa.gov) or 805-884-1464.

